

PRESS RELEASE

e-GEOS leads the ESA project for Geoinformation solutions in developing regions

Rome, 9th April 2025 – e-GEOS, company owned by the Italian Space Agency (20%) and Telespazio (80%, Leonardo group), has been appointed by the European Space Agency (ESA) as Prime Contractor of the consortium in charge of **developing technological solutions for civil Earth Observation to improve the understanding of fragility in developing areas**.

The project, called "**Enhanced methods for EO and open-source information exploitation in fragile settings assessment**", will support the **development cooperation programmes** of the **OECD** (Organisation for Economic Cooperation & Development), **EIB** (European Investment Bank) and **ADB** (Asian Development Bank).

The consortium, led by e-GEOS, includes Adelphi, Cherrydata, German Aerospace Center (DLR), Hensoldt Analytics, Janes and MindEarth.

The European Space Agency project aims to **strengthen data availability** through the development of **Geoinformation solutions collecting and processing information at the regional and local levels**, to support more informed decision-making processes. These applications represent a crucial resource in this context, permitting **data acquisition** even in areas where **access to reliable information from other sources may be limited or difficult**.

Through a multi-source approach, international organisations will benefit from **innovative indicators for more accurate and timely assessment of fragility and resilience** at the local and regional levels.

e-GEOS confirms its role in the European Space Agency's programmes for use of **Geoinformation solutions for development operations**. In the same context, the company recently led and successfully completed the **Fragility, Conflict and Security activity performed under the ESA's Global Development Assistance** (GDA) Programme, providing information on environmental degradation, land grabbing and displacement dynamics. The project supported international financial institutions such as the World Bank (WB), Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

"e-GEOS is strongly committed to international cooperation programmes", comments Milena Lerario, CEO of e-GEOS. "Geospatial solutions represent a strategic resource promoting sustainable development in emerging nations. Collaboration between industry, institutions and international organisations offers an opportunity to create synergies on a global scale, allowing us to concretely and effectively address shared challenges."

ABOUT e-GEOS

e-GEOS, an ASI (20%) / Telespazio (80%) company, is a global leader in delivering applications and services through highly technological and innovative Geoinformation platforms based on Artificial Intelligence and cloud technology. e-GEOS offers a unique portfolio of application services, from data acquisition to analytical report generation, also thanks to its optical and radar capabilities and fast access to the superior monitoring capabilities of the first- and second-generation COSMO-SkyMed constellation, of which e-GEOS is the exclusive distributor worldwide. e-GEOS manages the Matera Space Center for the acquisition, storage and processing of multi-mission satellite data. The Center is one of the stations of the Core Ground Segment of Copernicus and receives radar data acquired by Sentinel-1 mission.

ABOUT ESA

The European Space Agency (ESA) provides Europe's gateway to space. ESA is an intergovernmental organisation, created in 1975, with the mission to shape the development of Europe's space capability and ensure that investment in space delivers benefits to the citizens of Europe and the world.

ESA has 23 Member States: Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. Latvia, Lithuania and Slovakia are Associate Members.

ESA has established formal cooperation with four Member States of the EU. Canada takes part in some ESA programmes under a Cooperation Agreement. By coordinating the financial and intellectual resources of its members, ESA can undertake programmes and activities far beyond the scope of any single European country. It is working in particular with the EU on implementing the Galileo and Copernicus programmes as well as with Eumetsat for the development of meteorological missions.

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